



Stuart R. Daws

May 11, 1944 - November 17, 2017

Stuart R. Daws, 73, of Winchester passed away Friday, Nov. 17, 2017. He was born, May 11, 1944, in Freeport, the son of J. Allan and Helen I. Stouffer Daws. He married Donna R. Coats, July 26, 1975, in Roodhouse.

Surviving are his wife Donna and son, Justin (Jamie) Daws of Winchester; grandchildren, Marissa Daws of Louisville, Jack and Jett Daws of Winchester, and Ashton (Jared) Hoots of Jerseyville; great-grandchildren, Harper and Gracen Hoots; siblings, Gary (Pam) Daws of Dixon, Nancy (Joe) Hodorowski of Rockford, Suzanne Daws of Lena, Denise (Dick) Bonjour of Monroe, WI, and Bruce Daws of Lena. He was preceded in death by one son, Trent Daws, and one brother, Douglas Daws.

Stuart was a member of the First Baptist Church of Roodhouse. He was a veteran and served his country during the Vietnam War. Stuart was a member of the American Legion in Winchester, and the Chapin Lions Club.

In 1972, Stuart purchased the Mackey Funeral Home and established the Mackey-Daws Funeral Home and Daws Monuments, which he owned and operated alongside his wife and eventually his sons, until his health forced his retirement.

He enjoyed spending time with his family and grandchildren. Stuart liked to attend as many high-school sporting events as he could, and he was an avid Green Bay Packers fan. He liked to travel and especially enjoyed trips to Europe with his mother. Later in life, Stuart took up woodworking and created many wonderful pieces for his family and friends. He spent many mornings

sipping coffee in the local gas stations and restaurants, chatting with anyone with a few minutes to spare. Stuart was always willing to help people out in any way that he could. He touched many lives and will be greatly missed by his family and friends.

Funeral services will be held 11:00 a.m., Wednesday, November 22, 2017 at the Daws Family Funeral Home in Winchester with interment in the Winchester City Cemetery. Visitation will be held Tuesday from 2-7p.m. at the Daws Family Funeral Home in Jacksonville. Memorials are suggested to the Roodhouse First Baptist Church building fund or the Winchester Grade School cares fund. Condolences may be left online at www.dawsfuneralhome.com

Cemetery Details

Winchester City Cemetery

Cherry Street
Winchester, IL 62694

Previous Events

Visitation

NOV 21. 2:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Daws Family Funeral Home - Jacksonville
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Jacksonville, IL 62650
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Tribute Wall



“ Mackey Daws Funeral Home created a Tribute Video in memory of Stuart R. Daws



Daws Funeral Homes - November 21, 2017 at 05:26 PM



“ Stuart R. Daws

January 28, 2023 at 11:11 AM



“ Thoughts and prayers to the family. Mr. Daws shared coffee and conversation with us sometimes at Hardees. May your memories give you peace and comfort.



Eon and Marilyn Lawless - November 22, 2017 at 09:12 AM



“ Mike & Robin Fundel lit a candle in memory of Stuart R. Daws



Mike & Robin Fundel - November 21, 2017 at 10:17 AM

BH

“ I did not know Stuart well growing up as he was older than I, and had moved out of town by the time I was a toddler. Three years ago, he took the train west to my daughters wedding and stayed with us for a couple of days. It was so wonderful getting to know him and we sat for hours talking. He even went for a long bumpy ATV ride in the mountains with us. He was 70 at the time and was happy, inquisitive and very social. I so enjoyed the time I spent with him. I knew he was not feeling well, but he rarely let his illness slow him down while he was here. He has a great spirit that will live on in Heaven and I appreciate the opportunity I was given, to get to know my oldest cousin. Donna and Justin, may God bless you and give you peace. I will keep you in my prayers.

Brenda Hedden - November 20, 2017 at 09:26 PM

LB

“ Donna and Family: So sorry to here about Stuart. We will keep your family in our prayers. You have our deepest sympathy. God Bless.
Lasondra & Jerry Brackett

Lasondra Brackett - November 20, 2017 at 11:21 AM

JC

“ You are in our thoughts and prayers

JoAnn Chumley & The All Occasions Staff



JoAnn Chumley - November 20, 2017 at 10:43 AM

BM

“ So sorry for your loss. Mike enjoyed talking to Stu. Our thoughts and prayers are with your family.

Bonnie and Mike Minett - November 20, 2017 at 10:23 AM

SS

“ Sorry to here of Stuart's passing. We hope you and the family know you are in our prayers.
God Bless.

Steve and Pat Smoock - November 19, 2017 at 11:05 PM

ME

“ We were saddened to hear of Stuart's passing away. He must have been in a lot pain these past few years, and now he can Rest In Peace. Stuart was probably one of my favorite cousins. He never wanted to miss a family gathering and always made an effort to be there. Always liked riding in his "cool" convertibles.... Our deepest sympathies are with you and your family.

Melanie - November 19, 2017 at 07:07 PM

MF

“ Melanie & Terry Flannery lit a candle in memory of Stuart R. Daws



Melanie & Terry Flannery - November 19, 2017 at 07:04 PM

JZ

“ Donna, We are so sorry for your loss. He will be missed by so many people, our prayers are with you and your family. Allen and Jill Zupanci

Jill Zupanci - November 19, 2017 at 06:34 PM



“ Justin, so sorry for your loss. Sincere thoughts and prayers to you and your family.

JoDee Havens-Warrington

JoDee Havens-Warrington - November 19, 2017 at 01:46 PM

CM

“ I remember Stew sitting across from my table waving at me and smiling I will never forget him. Carolyn Megginson God bless you



Carolyn Megginson - November 19, 2017 at 12:00 PM

DB

“ I'm very sorry to hear of Stuart's passing. Please accept my condolences as you all have my thoughts and prayers for peace and comfort.

Dave Beres - November 19, 2017 at 10:49 AM

JL

“ Our thoughts and prayers are with Donna, Justin and family. We will all miss him at all the community events he loved to attend and support. May the happy memories comfort help comfort you all.



Jim and Cheryl Littig - November 19, 2017 at 10:34 AM

LS

“ Donna and Justin, our condolences on the passing of Stu from the Spencer family.
Our thoughts and prayers are with you at this time. Dad considered Stu a friend.

Larry and Kay Spencer

Larry Spencer - November 19, 2017 at 08:42 AM

RR

“ The picture tells it all he was great person . , memories with Jessie, Peg, Howard, Gene, and of course Donna I am looking forward to seeing all. Rest now Stu your fight is over.

Ron & Ruth - November 19, 2017 at 08:39 AM

 Doris Vestel

“ So Sorry for you loss. Prayer to the Family. He will be remembered as one of the town's Best. Doris and Ron Vestel

Doris Vestel - November 19, 2017 at 07:28 AM

RS

“ So sorry to hear of Stu passing. No matter where Dean and I saw him he would take time to talk and ask about our family. He was there for my Mother when Dad passed away. Prayers for Donna and family. Dean and Rosemarie Summers

rose summers - November 19, 2017 at 07:23 AM

CC

“ Our sympathy to you, Donna, Justin, and family. My first memories of Stu were in my parents' restaurant in White Hall. (Jim & Vera's Drive In). He came in often. Glad his struggles are behind him. May he REST IN PEACE. Rob and Cara Sue Crain

Cara Sue & Rob Crain - November 19, 2017 at 12:07 AM

EP

“ So sorry to hear of Stu's passing. He was a great guy. Sending our condolences to the family.

Eddie and Linda Phillips - November 18, 2017 at 11:58 PM

LS

“ Sorry to hear of his passing. Reading that he had passed brought a small tear to my eye as I instantly remember my favorite boss I will ever have. Sad that I won't be able to make the services but I'll be there in spirit.

Lucas Sprague - November 18, 2017 at 11:35 PM

PR

“ Donna, Justin and family, so sorry to read of Stu's passing. Was always nice to have you folks worship with us and Stu's willingness to help with different projects our Church had.

I admired Stu continuing to come to the funeral home even as his disease progressed. May he Rest In Peace, and you folks will be remembered in our prayers for strength and comfort in the days ahead.

Most sincerely, Bill and Pat Robinson

Pat Robinson - November 18, 2017 at 11:28 PM

JC

“ Always enjoyed visiting with Stu on Christmas Eve. Donna and Justin you are in our hearts and prayers.



Judy Cannon - November 18, 2017 at 10:39 PM

EF

“ Dear ones, so very sorry to learn of Stu's passing. He was so vital and active for many years. He will long be remembered. Our prayers and thoughts are with you all.....love, Ed and Pat Frost

Ed and Pat Frost - November 18, 2017 at 09:56 PM

DF

“ We are so very sorry to hear of Stu's passing!!!! He was always such a sweet man and lived to take the time to stop and talk when we saw him. Prayers to all of you as you deal with the grief and try to fill the huge void.

Don and Christy Pence family - November 18, 2017 at 09:34 PM

LW

“ Stu and Donna were the best. He will be sadly missed by all

Lila (VanGiesen) Wilson - November 18, 2017 at 09:24 PM

JD

“ So sorry for your loss.

Julia DeGroot - November 18, 2017 at 09:03 PM

BW

“ Donna and family. You have my heartfelt sincere condolences. Thinking of you in your time of sorrow. Prayers for you and your family. Brenda Wildhagen

Brenda Wildhagen - November 18, 2017 at 08:30 PM

JG

“ He loved life, family and friends. So sorry! He will be missed by all. My prayers to his family.



Joy Graves - November 18, 2017 at 08:26 PM

FG

“ Dear Donna and family, I was so shocked to see that Stu had passed away; and please let me send you and your family the most sincere sympathies. I was not aware that Stu had been having health issues. Fred and I will be keeping you and your family in our thoughts and prayers. With deepest sympathies, Fred and Linda Gillis

Fred and Linda Gillis - November 18, 2017 at 08:05 PM

RB

“ So sorry for your loss Donna, our thoughts and prayers are with you. Rick and Rhonda (Masters) Brogdon

rhonda brogdon - November 18, 2017 at 06:34 PM

DS

“ so sorry for your loss

Dale and Jane Sorrells - November 18, 2017 at 06:26 PM

RC

“ *Sorry to see this Justin. He was a good man and will be missed.* ”

Randy & Deb Coon - November 18, 2017 at 06:25 PM

KE

“ *Thinking of you and your family Donna. He was a good guy and know he will be missed.* ”



Kim Evans - November 18, 2017 at 05:52 PM